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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated April 8, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated below

8. (Twice Amended) A method of increasing the refractoriness of inorganic fibers having a composition containing SiO<sub>2</sub> and CaO, or SiO<sub>2</sub>, CaO, and MgO, comprising adding to the fiber composition a P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> former, a B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> former, or both:

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